

NOTICE OF DECISION UNDER REGULATION 32 FILM POSTERS

VIDEO SLICK

TO: The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.
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Pursuant to regulation 32 of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Regulations 1994 the film poster entitled:

Buttman's Bend Over Babes IV

is **Not Approved.**

if approval refused, the reasons for the decision:

If this video slick were submitted under s13(1) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act it would be likely to be classified as objectionable, due to the strength of its degrading and dehumanising elements. Therefore in accordance with regulation 28(3)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Regulations it is not approved for public display.

The primary focus of the slick is the photograph on the front cover of a woman in a skimpy swimsuit displaying her buttocks to the camera. A large number of similar photographs emphasise women's buttocks, anuses and genitalia.

The slick degrades and dehumanises the women pictured to a high degree. The use of repeated images of their buttocks, anuses and genitals, shown with little context, reduces them to a set of sexual body parts. The barrage effect of collating many such photographs together contributes to the slick's impact.

In refusing to approve the slick, the Classification Office places a limit on s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This limit is considered reasonable, due to the likelihood that the availability of the slick would be injurious to the public good.

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Date: 02 September 1997

For the Classification Office (signed):

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